

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : LASCH, ELLEN, et al.
 Appl. No. : 10/749,006
 Filed : December 30, 2003
 Title : METAL-CONTAINING TRANSACTION
 CARD AND METHOD OF MAKING THE
 SAME
 Grp./A.U. : 2876
 Examiner : T. THIEN MAI
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Total Claims	0	0	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	0	0	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple dependent claims newly presented					\$0.00
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Total of Above Calculations					\$0.00

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Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

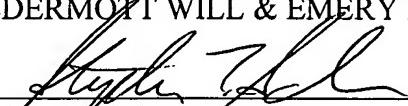
This is a response to the Office Action mailed on August 9, 2005. In the Office Action, the Examiner has restricted the application to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-25, drawn to a transaction card; and
- II. Claims 26-53, drawn to a method of making a card.

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-25, with traverse, for prosecution on the merits without prejudice or disclaimer.

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